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IMPORTANT QUESTIONS NOW PENDING OHIO DEMOCRATS WILL DO IT

moval of General Otis.

MANY CALLERS TODAY AFTER THE ELECTION

Secretary Root returned to Washington last night after an absence of several days, during which he visited President McKinley at Lake Champlain. It was understood that the object of Mr. Root's call upon the President was to discuss plans for mobilizing the new army of the Philippines. It was expected that he would also refer to the advisability of retaining Gen. Otis in command at Manila.

Mr. Root's return to the city, therefore, was looked forward to with interest by bureau officials of the War Department. The Secretary did not appear during the early part of the day, however, as he was engaged upon the important and laborious task of house hunting. He left his hotel early in the morning and proceeded to the northwest section of the city to inspect a number of houses which had been offered to him as quarters for his family during their stay in Washington.

Questions to Be Taken Up.

and which demand his attention. It is and the Chicago platform and McLean. Mcand which demand his attention. It is understood that he will, at an early day, pass upon the status of the inspector general's department. It will be remembered that Secretary Alger issued an order which deprived the major general commanding the army of any jurisdiction over the inspector general's branch, and placed it under the direction of the Secretary of War.

Gen. Miles' friends say that he will ask Secretary Root to give the major general commanding the army authority over the inspector general. It is claimed that it would be an anomaly to place the ranking the worl't get any votes from McLean. Mc-Secretary Root to give the major general commanding the army authority over the inspector general. It is claimed that it would be an anomaly to place the ranking officer of the army in a position where he could not order an inspection of an army post if he thought it desirable. Gen. Miles' friends believe that the new Secretary proposes to remove the friction which has existed in some quarters of the War Department and to do all that is possible to promote the harmonious co-operation of all branches of the service in the great work which is ahead of the War Department in the next few months.

Kicking abolitionists. They're what he'll get; the socialistic, anarchistic abolitionists, who are tired of that tyrant, Hanna. He won't get any votes from McLean. McLean is going to be elected governor, sure." "What then?" he was asked.

After Election.

"What then! Why he will go to the next democratic national convention with a solid Bryan Chicago platform delegation, and he'll show those folks who are trying to cast suspicion on his loyalty whether he is a Bryan man or not. He'll show them the next few months.

Gossip About Gen. Otis.

Renewed impetus was given to the gossip about the possible removal of Gen. Otis by the report that Secretary Root while in New York saw Gen. Merritt and had a conversation of an hour with him. The presumption was that they discussed the possibility of making a change in the Philippines, and it was even said that Gen. Merritt expressed his willingness to return to the Philippines if called upon. In other quarters, however, it was claim-

ed that Secretary Root did not talk about has declined up to this time to admit that it was even yet under consideration. It was pointed out that it would be the most natural thing in the world for the Secretary of War to meet the commander of the Department of the East while in New York and that they would find enough to talk about relating to Gen. Merrit's own command, without discussing the situation in the Philippines. It has been impossible up to this time to get well-informed officials of the War Department to admit that Gen. Otis may be recalled.

The only man connected with the military establishment whom Secretary Root saw this morning was Adjutant General Corbin, who took breakfast with him at the hotel. If Secretary Root had in mind any change of command in the Philippines he did not communicate it to Gen. Corbin. The latter is still positive that there will be no change in the command of the troops in the Philippines, and that

A number of callers were at the depart-A number of callers were at the depart-ment during the forenoon awaiting the return of the Secretary to his desk, among them being Senator Platt, Archbishop Chappelle, Senor Quesada and several Cu-bans and Porto Ricans. Messrs. Ricardo Arnauto and Augustine Cervantes, editor and assistant editor of the Havana Recon-centrado recently symposesed by Con Ludcentrado, recently suppressed by Gen. Lud-low, are in this city to lay their grievances before the Secretary of War. They claim that Gen. Ludlow's action was arbitrary and desire it overruled. and desire it overruled.

YELLOW FEVER ON A STEAMER. Disease is Raging on the Sutherland at Santiago, Cuba.

PHILADELPHIA, August 10.-Private information received here from Santiago de Cuba, where the Earn line steamship Suthfever raging among her crew, confirms the report of the serious illness of Capt. Percy Nibbs, her commander. No hope whatever is entertained for his recovery. Capt. Nibbs, who is but twenty-seven years old, upon the completion of this voyage was to have returned to his home in Portsmouth, Eng., to be married.

The Sutherland, which is one of the char-

tered steamers of the Earn line, plles reg-ularly between this port and Baltimore and the West Indies. She left here July 20 for Havana, and it was while there that Capt. Nibbs was stricken.

WILL START HOME AUGUST 22. Tenth Pennsylvania to Be Mustered

Out on That Date. SAN FRANCISCO, August 10.-The 10th Pennsylvania volunteers will remain at the Presidio twelve days longer and then leave for their eastern homes, escorted by the committee of twenty-three that came here to receive them. According to the present arrangements only one stop will be made during the journey to Pittsburg, the invitation of Mayor Frank E. Moores of Omaha having been accepted. Many other cordial invitations from cities along the route have been declined on account of lack of time. The start will be made from this city on August 22, the day the troops are mustered out, and Pittsburg will be reached on the morning of August 28. Colonel Jocelyn, 25th Infantry, and Captain Chrisman, 29th Infantry, the mustering out officers have Infantry, the mustering out officers, have assured the escort committee that the regi-ment will be discharged without fail on

WARLIKE ORDER FROM ENGLAND. All Contract Transports Notified to Be in Rendiness.

August 22 and that arrangements may be

made accordingly.

LONDON, August 10.-The St. James Gazette this afternoon says all the shipping companies under charter to the British admiralty for transport purposes have been notified to hold all their transports in reserve for the immediate dispatch of troops. The steamer Dunera has been ordered to be in readiness Saturday to ship a detachment of horse artillery to South Africa.

MR. ROOT'S RETURN IKE HILL'S TALK

No. 14,492.

The New Secretary of War Again | Says McLean Will Be Nominated Governor.

Gossip as to the Possible Re- A Rose-Colored View of the

State Outlook.

Ike Hill, the democratic deputy sergeantat-arms of the House, is going out to Ohio this evening. He is authority on Ohio politics. His predictions may not always come out right end up after election, but he is never discouraged nor lacking in enthusiasm. This morning he was in his most enthusiastic mood.

"It is a walk, a walk," he said to a Star reporter, while a crowd assembled to listen. "Anybody who knows anything about it knows that John R. McLean will be nominated at Zanesville. There won't be any opposition—if any delegates oppose him they'll get out. He is going to be nominated and he's going to be elected. What do you suppose he wants to spend his money for if he is not going to be elected? I'll bet \$100 to \$500 as many times as you want." It was suggested that he wanted pretty big odds.

A Question of Odds.

"Odds! That's betting odds. The real chances are two to one in McLean's favor, morrow take up a number of important questions now pending in the department and which demand his settled department and the Chicago a

is a Bryan man or not. He'll show them that he is a Bryan man from the ground uplongwise and crosswise and on the square. And there'll come 1901 and McLea will go to the Senate, and he'll have more influence with the Bryan administration than anybody. Do you see!

"I met Allan Thurman, and I was talking McLean, and he said to me, sort of cynical, 'It looks as if they'd been buying us, Ike.'"

"That was because I was talking McLean and I said: 'Look here, Thurman, you're wrong. John McLean didn't get me by pur-chase; he got me by inheritance. I was an nheritance, just as you were, and at the same time when he inherited your enmity he inherited my friendship.' 'Then Thurman didn't say any more for

awhile

"Some of the boys around says to me 'How is it, Ike, you rustled for Zanesville for the convention?' and then reminds me that I was always for Columbus at all times, and used to say it was plain robbery of the people to send a democratic convention elsewhere. That was true; I'd said it lots of times, and I don't deny it; but I just told them that I was for Zanes ville because McLean wanted Zanesville and wouldn't play if the convention didn't go there. I wanted him to play, there fore I was the main guy for Zanesville. Chio's for Bryan, the Chicago platform and John R. McLean. All the abolitionists in the whole batch can't stop it, if Ohlo is an abolition state. They are tired of Hanna, and we'll just let them fight it out among themselves, while we get the votes, without the aid of windjammers and spell-binders. Do you see?"

PHYSICALLY DEFECTIVE.

The Men Rejected at Camp Meade Failed on Re-Examination.

The five recruits from this city who were rejected by the medical officers at Camp Meade, Pa., and who were re-examined yesterday at Surgeon General Sternberg's direction by an officer of the army dispensary here, were found to be physically defective. The report of the examining officer at Camp Meade was sustained and the men again rejected.

In this connection it is stated that the utmost care is being exercised in the selection of recruits for the Philippines. Mer who are under age, under size and weight, or whose moral character may be doubtful, cannot join the army. It is said that the exigencies of the service in the Philippines demand men of a high class physically and the War Department does not propos to burden the hospital corps unnecessarily by sending out men certain to fall sick.

NON-COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION. It is to Be Prescribed by the Secre tary of the Treasury.

Commissioner Wilson of the internal revenue bureau has sent the following circular to collectors of internal revenue:

"Referring to the non-competitive exam ination required by executive order of May 29, 1899, for appointment to excepted places in the internal revenue service, your attention is called to the fact that under the terms of said order the non-competitive examination referred to is to be prescribed by the honorable Secretary of the Treasury, not by the civil service commission.

"The matter of the character and scop of the examination to be prescribed for the internal revenue service is now under consideration by this department, and as soon as the question is determined and arrangements are made for holding the exam inations collectors will be promptly advised.
"Pending such advice collectors will in no instance make application to the civil service commission for such examinations, nor seek information in regard to them from that source. As heretofore stated, necessary appointments to excepted places in the internal revenue service may be made in advance of the examination."

Personal Mention.

C. V. Rich, private secretary to Assistant Secretary Vanderlip, has returned to Washington from his vacation State Senator and Mrs. Jelks of Alabama are visiting the city.

Mrs. E. M. O'Connor and her daughter Miss Corinne, are at Atlantic City for a stay of several weeks. Mr. George H. O'Connor and Mr. Charles E. O'Connor have returned from a visit to that resort.

Mr. S. M. Cohen of New York is spending several weeks with his relatives in this

Mr. E. J. Bachman of the Treasury De partment, wife and daughter will leave for Eaglesmere tomorrow.



NAVAL OFFICERS' ACCOUNTS

Annual Report of the Auditor for That Department.

a Greater Number of Clerks.

The annual report of Frank H. Morris, who was auditor for the Navy Department until today, has been made to the Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Morris says:

"From the data furnished herein, and the legislation enacted by Congress which increases the navy very materially with our extended bounds of territory, it will not be difficult to see that this office will require a permanent addition to its enrollment of at least as many clerks as are now on the temporary roll, and, if it meets your approval, I advise that Congress be asked to piace the clerks now on that roll upon the regular force of this office.

Prize Money Claims

"The settlement of prize money claims for the recent war has not yet begun, owing principally to delays in the courts. The work incumbent on this office when these settlements begin will be very great and will continue over a long period. "It is with great pleasure that I com-

mend the fidelity and earnestness with which the deputy auditor, Mr. John M. Ewing, has rendered service in disposing of the enormous work of the past year, and the continued thorough and faithful service of the chiefs of division, Lewis K. Brown, George P. Davis and Paul T. Bowen; and had it not been for the consistent and earnest co-operation of nearly all of the clerks we should not be able to show at this time the favorable condition of work which exists. We meet the largest portion of the demands upon this office promptly."

Work of the Year.

During the fiscal year 8,132 accounts and claims were settled, with amounts allowed of \$50,997,411. For the year before, Mr. Morris st ys, "there were 4,030 accounts and claims settled involving allowances of \$32,478,758.01. Thus it will be seen that the work of the office has increased 100 per cent in the number of accounts and claims settled, and 57 per cent in the amounts audited and allowed."

CHANGE OF AUDITORS.

It Took Effect in the Treasury Department Today.

Frank H. Morris today became auditor for the War Department, and is in charge of that office. W. W. Brown also became auditor for the Navy Department. The two men took the oaths of office at the Treasury Department this morning. As heretofore stated in The Star, Messrs. Morris and Brown forwarded their resignations to the President so as to permit the exchange of places. The President made out new commissions, and they were received yesterday afternoon. The auditors were introduced to the chiefs and employes of their bureaus this morning.

There is much speculation as to what the change will bring about. Mr. Morris has the reputation of being a rigid disciplinarian, and it is said that his force will be almost completely reorganized.

It has been inadvertently stated that the discovery of tardy chiefs of division by Assistant Secretary Vanderlip was in the office of the third auditor. Colonel Young-blood, the auditor for the Interior Departblood, the auditor for the Interior Department, will soon make his annual report, and prides himself on the fact that this will show that his office has never been in better condition. All the work is up to date, and has been handled by a smaller force than ever before. At Colonel Young-blood's own request his force was cut down eleven clerks by Congress, saving the government \$15,000 a year. With this decreased force an increased amount of work has been done. More claims, involving more money, have been adjusted the past fiscal year than in any year before. The auditing of the accounts for the census bureau has been added to the third auditor, and this has also been promptly handled up to date.

SENATOR PLATT'S OPINION. What He Says About Lieut. Wm. M.

Senator Thomas C. Platt of New York, who is in the city on business connected with some minor appointments that he desires to go to New Yorkers, was asked today concerning his recommendation of Increased Work Brings a Need for Lieut. William M. Copp. who, it is alleged Ensign Macfarland, Her Commander, by the dispatches from Manila, ordered the gunboat Napidan, of which he was in charge, to fire on the friendly village of Paente, on Laguna de Bay, Luzon. It was also stated in the reports that the natives had been promised protection by Gen. Lawton providing they returned to Paente.

The senator said: "I did recommend Lieut. Copp. He is of a good family in New York, bright, well educated and qualified in every way to fill the position he holds. I cannot believe that he was guilty of such a piece of indiscretion as the reports seem to indicate. He is too cool-headed for that. If he fired on a friendly village it must have been under orders. If any investigation is ever made I am confident that he will be fully exonerated."

CAPTURED LETTERS.

Insurgents Exhorted to Hold Out a Little Longer. The following cable has been received

from General Otis: 'Adjutant General, Washington:

"MANILA, August 10. "Captured letters high insurgent authority exhorting inhabitants to hold out a little longer; that European recognition will be granted by August 31st and that present United States administration will be over-

thrown Froops Returning From Philippines

The following has been received at the War Department: "MANILA, August 10, 1899.

Adjutant General, Washington: "Transport Pennsylvania left Iloilo this forning; Sheridan should leave Manila

PENSION BOARD OF APPEALS.

Three Additional Members Announced Today.

In the last appropriation bill provision was made for the appointment of three additional members of the board of pension appeals. Since March 4, the appointment of these members has been hanging fire and considerable political pressure was brought to bear for these places. Today the appointments were announced. They are as follows: Dorsey M. McPherson of Arizona, John K. Boude of Illinois and Henry M. Haynes of Texas.

Monthly Cotton Report.

The monthly report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture shows the average condition of cotton on August 1 to have been 84; as compared with 87.8 on July 1, 91.2 on August 1, 1898, 86.9 at the corresponding date in 1897 and 85.8, the mean of the August averages for the last ten years.

There was a decline during July amount-ing to 5 points in North Carolina, 10 in South Carolina, 6 in Georgia, Alabama and Texas, 4 in Tennessee and 2 in Missouri. On the other hand, there was an improvement of 1 point in Louisiana, of 2 points in Virginia, Oklahoma and Indian territory, of 3 points in Florida and Mississippi and

of 3 points in Florida and Mississippi and of 4 points in Arkansas.

The averages of the different states on August 1 were as follows: Virginia, 88; North Carolina, 83; South Carolina, 78; Georgia, 79; Florida, 93; Alabama, 82; Mississippi, 86; Louisiana, 86; Texas, 87; Arkansas, 86; Tennessee, 84; Missouri, 86; Oklahoma, 80; Indian territory, 93.

The Texas report includes the condition in the recently submerged region, a special report on which is almost ready for publication.

Naval Orders.

Surgeon W. F. Arnold, granted exten don of sick leave one month; Assistant Paymaster H. N. Stevens, to the Alexander; Ensigns J. B. Patton and G. B. Ander; Ensigns J. B. Patton and G. B. Rice, to the Chicago, line duty; Lieut. O. H. Scales, to the Naval Academy. September 1; Ensign C. J. Lang, to the Naval Academy; Lieut. S. S. Robinson, to the navy yard, League Island; Ensign J. S. Walker, to the torpedo station; Lieut. T. S. Wilson, to the Wabash; Ensign A. Crenshaw, to line duty on the Wilmington,

BREAKING UP THEIR TRAFFIC

A Cruise of the Samar Destroyed Thirteen Insurgent Vessels.

Commended for His

Energetic efforts are being made by Admiral Watson, with the small gunboats at his disposal, to break up the traffic between the insurgents of the Philippine Islands. Commander Sperry of the Yorktown which is stationed at Iloilo, in a report to Admiral Watson dated June 12, which has been forwarded to the Navy Department, expresses the opinion that the insurgents are throwing troops into Negros and Leyte from southwest Luzon and the Island of Panay, and that Gen. Hughes is of the same opinion. With the intention of breaking up this traffic he sent the Samar, one

the Island of Panay.

of the small captured gunboats turned over

to the navy, under the command of Ensign

Eminently Successful. Ensign Macfarland was eminently su cessful, and in four days destroyed thirteen schooners at different points along the coast of the Island of Panay. Each one of these vessels had a full cargo. No resistance was made except in the case of a schooner captured at Bantay, where a bombardment was required to compel sur-render. Ensign Macfarland reported that In every case the natives were set ashor with the personal effects, and all arms . e., bolas, krises, etc., were returned Commander Sperry, in forwarding Ensign Macfarland's report, pays a high tribute to the work of the young ensign. He says: "The Samar passed along the west coast of the Island of Panay three times, visited Catalog three times, Tablas once, Romblon three times, the north coast of Sibuyan once, Capiz, on Panay, twice, passed along the north coast of Panay and returned to Hollo from the north, having made a com-plete circuit of Panay close inshore.

Ensign Macfarland Commended. "Inclosed is a copy of the commanding officer's report of thirteen vessels, all but one of which were destroyed. However active the trade may have been on the west coast of Panay formerly, I am of the opinion that the insurgents are mainly oc cupied in throwing troops into Negros and Leyte, from southwest Luzon and Panay, and General Hughes is of the same opinion. With the intention of breaking up this traffic, the Samar has been sent out with cruising orders communicated to you in my telegram of the 12th. The manner in which telegram of the 12th. The manner in which Ensign Macfarland exercises his command is extremely satisfactory. He is ready, energetic and makes no request except for coal and water. It is very desirable the springs telegraphed for should be supplied at once for the Samar's Nordenfeldts, but in the meantime Ensign Macfarland has made what he reports as a satisfactory temporary arrangement, and he appears to have a genius for making things work. The commander of the gunboats must be, and is, on deck constantly while cruising, and unless circumstances forbid, I consider it not only desirable, but necessary to keep the only desirable, but necessary to keep the gunboats here for thirty-six hours when they return to port after being out six Ensign Macfarland is a brother of Mr. H. B. F. MacFarland of this city.

The reduction of distilled spirits in distillers' original packages to a strength of not less than 90 per cent of full proof. not less than 90 per cent of full proof, which has heretofore been permitted to be made on the premises of a qualified distiller after the packages have been gauged and stamped upon tax payment, may hereafter be made, under a circular issued by the commissioner of internal revenue, on the premises of a duly qualified dealer, provided the reduction is made by the addition of pure water only and that the natural wastage of the package will allow. The reduction must also be made in the presence of an official gauger and without cost to the United States. cost to the United States.

Subscribers who experience any difficulty in receiving The Star, caused by the carrier not ringing the door bell, will please report such failure or non-delivery to the office,

Japan Under New Treaties Will Try Citizens of Alexandria Regard It as to Control Religion.

Steamer Sinks With 130 Passengers | Leading Citizens Not Participants Twenty Miles From Shanghai.

AMMUNITION FOR FILIPINOS THE VICTIM BURIED

VANCOUVER, B. C., August 10.-The following Japanese and Chinese mail advices have been received by the steamer Empress

The British, Belgian and Mexican governments have applied to the Japanese government for the conclusion of agreement relating to extradition and negotiations will shortly be commenced. Under the new treaties Japan will seek to control foreign religions. Hitherto Christianity has been eft unmolested.

France is pressing her demands on China in the Yang-Tse valley. The French au-thorities in Indo-China have conceived the idea of converting the Chinamen into a soldier, and, following the example of the British in Wei-Hai-Wei they are forming a regiment of celestial tirailieurs, who, it is believed, will be more efficient soldiers than the Anamites now in the French service. Quiet on the Surface.

On the surface Pekin is quet, but beneath there is ferment. The empress dowager still holds the reins of office, but the palace is a veritable hotbed of jealousies and in-Prince against minister, eunuch against both, and the empress dowager

against both, and the empress dowager and her favorites against the rest.

The empress dowager has issued an edict at Pekin in which several sweeping reforms are ordered to take place in all the state departments of the empire. The edict opens with a perfect tirade upon the whole of the officials in the provinces concerning their duty, in order to prevent what is stated to be a perpetual "sougezing" among ing their duty, in order to prevent what is stated to be a perpetual "squeezing" among those who are in charge. The edict proceeds that the director of the Pekin stations and all the departments have been guilty of squeezing, and that in order to remedy these wrongs it would be necessary in the future that the viceroys at Tartar, the generals and governors should take notice of the conditions of things, which was deplorable.

was deplorable.

The Pekin and Tien Tsin railway, the edict goes on to state, has made a handsome profit, but there will be no further construction of railroad lines until the Lu Han system has been completed. When that is done and it has been found to be profitable other lines will be laid down.

The Japanese press makes charges of vice and immorality against the buddhist priests.

Goes Down With 130 Passengers.

The Nunobiki Mark, 1,400 tons gross, formerly belonging to the Mitsui Bussan Kwaisha, sank in the vicinity of the Saddle Archipelago, at the mouth of the Yang Tse Kiang, twenty miles from Shanghai. Of the crew twelve only were rescued by the British steamer Kyuchiang.

It is supposed there must have or 130 passengers on board, almost all of whom were drowned. The steamer was built in England, 1894. The text of a treaty between Russia and Siam has been published in Hong Kong. The treaty expires December 1 next. The

chief clause reads: "That in everything relating to the jurisdiction of commerce and navigation, Russian subjects in Siamese territory and Siamese subjects in Russian territory enjoy, henceforth, until the expiration of the present arrangement, all the rights and

privileges accorded the subjects of other nations in Russia or in Siam by the treat-ies that shall be made in the future." Ammunition for Filipinos.

For a considerable time the Manila news papers have been making outspoken references to the large shipments of arms and ammunition to the Philippines from Hong Kong. A proclamation of the government prohibits traffic in arms, but it still goes on. Hong Kong is also sending arms into China at an alarming rate. Revolvers are H. C. Macfarland, out on a cruise around common articles among the Chinese ruffians who infest the Canton river and delta and Kowloon highland, and who plunder and murder British subjects.

News has been received of the murder at Vladivostock, of C. E. Hamlin of the Vacuum Oil Company. He was murdered at night by a Chinese servant, who, with a hatchet, smashed in the head of his

CHINESE VILLAGE BOMBARDED. Refused to Surrender Pirates, Who Had Looted British Ships.

VANCOUVER, B. C., August 10 .- The Empress of Japan brings news that a British cargo boat on the Canton river was boarded by pirates, who carried away cargo worth \$75,000.

The commander of the Sand Pipes, an admiralty launch built last year at Hong Kong for protection of trade on the river, steamed after the pirates, who succeeded, however, in landing their goods near a village called Kamchkat. The commander of the Sand Pipes asked that the pirates be delivered to him and the goods restored. No satisfactory reply was given to him and he shelled the place, which was en-

EDITOR ACCUSED OF MURDER. W. L. Holland Charged With Sho

George W. Blazer. ELIZABETH, Col., August 10.-George

W. Blazer, superintendent of the Elizabeth public schools, was shot and instantly killed on the street last night. The murderer escaped. It is claimed that the shooting was done by W. L. Holland, editor of the Eye, who has disappeared.

He was seen in company with Blazer shortly before the tragedy occurred and illfeeling existed between them on account of an article criticising the town board which was recently published in the Eyé.

HONOR A DEAD HERO.

Citizens of Washington, Pa., Meet Col. Hawkins' Remains.

WASHINGTON, Pa., August 10.-Wher the funeral train bearing the remains of Col. Hawkins reached here shortly after 9 o'clock the entire population of the town seemed to have gathered at the station-to do honor to the memory of their fellow townsman. It was a sad home coming. The crowd was a silent one, and the flag at Chestnut street station, where the train stopped, was at halfmast. Tomorrow the body will be placed in a vault to await the arrival of the 10th Regi-

GERMANY TO TAKE POSSESSION. Caroline Islands.

MADRID, August 10.-A dispatch from Manila reports that the German dispatch boa't Alava has sailed to take posse of the Caroline Islands.

NEWS FROM ORIENT MOB'S ACT DEPLORED

The Road to Fortune The Road to Fortune is

through Printer's Ink .- P.

T. Barnum.

a Disgrace.

RUSSIA'S TREATY WITH SIAM DENIAL OF PUBLISHED REPORTS

in the Affair.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., August 10.-After the disorderly and riotous scenes of the early week Alexandria has returned to its normal condition. While nerves had been at a high tension for two days the natural reaction has set in, and citizens generally express sorrow and humiliation at the horrible work of Tuesday night; when Ben Thomas was lynched.

Many of the leading citizens with whom a reporter for The Star has conversed have denounced the lynching in emphatic language as a disgrace to the city. From many quarters protests are heard against the statements that the leading citizens were most prominent in the affair. The mob which lynched Thomas, it is urged, was a miscellaneous congregation, in the ranks of which were to be found many who were not Alexandrians. A large ma-

who were not Alexandrians. A large majority of the better class of citizens feel that a dark blot has been placed on the fair page of the city's history.

Up to an early hour this morning the excitement occasioned in anticipation of a negro uprising had not subsided. Citizens in squads patrolled the principal streets and congregated on the public corners. Everybody was armed and ready for a conflict should any hostile movement on the part of the blacks be made. Special policemen were sworn in, while every regular officer was at his post.

The station house was a center of interest. There the uneasy people drifted again

est. There the uneasy people drifted again and again through the night, eager to learn of any new developments.

Unfounded Rumors.

Several messages were received at headquarters of negro gatherings at various obscure points. These warnings received prompt attention, but nothing alarming came to light.

About 11 o'clock a telephone message was received from Washington stating that a mob of colored people had gathered in the vicinity of Waterloo, in the county, and were preparing to invade the city. But little credence was given to these reports, as upon investigation so many had proved groundless.

Mayor Simpson issued orders against the holding of colored balls last night. As a result twenty-five or thirty colored people who had come down from Washington, pre-

who had come down from Washington, pre-sumably for attendance on these social af-fairs, were compelled to return. Capt. James E. King of the Alexandria Light Infantry assembled his men in Arm-ory Hall at 7:30 o'clock last evening. The arms and ammunition for which he had telegraphed arrived from Richmond on the 3 o'clock train. The company was, there-fore, well armed and equipped. The men lay upon their arms, almost the entire lay upon their arms almost the entire night. Late in the night Capt. King sent a telegram to Adjt. Gen. Nalle in Richmond announcing that the command had been

under arms by orders from the mayor, and would probably disband by 2 a.m. Mayor Simpson was active and alert during the night, keeping in touch with the police and military and alive to the state of affairs. Notwithstanding all the fears and apprehensions, the night wore away without the slightest aggressive movement

by the colored people. Thomas' Remains Buried.

The remains of the unfortunate negro Benjamin Thomas, were quietly interred this morning at 10 o'clock in Penny Hill. Since the lynching Tuesday night his body had lain in Demaine's undertaking rooms on King street. Here it was visited by hundreds. Considering Thomas' violent death, his features were surprisingly natural in appearance. He was only slightly bruised about the head, and his neck was swollen. Elizabeth Thomas, his mother, refused to receive the remains at her home, She could not bear to look upon her boy, she said, and would have nothing to do with his funeral. No incident of interest

SALARIES INCREASED.

General Improvement in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

An increase in the salaries of about 180 people in the bureau of engraving and printing has been made by order of Assistant Secretary Vanderlip of the treasury, and there will no doubt be general rejoicing in that establishment. For a long time Mr. Vanderlip has had

under consideration the question of in-creasing the salaries of the minor employes, those who work hard and receive little for their efforts. By the introduction of different economies and some changes, Mr. Vanderlip found that the appropriation for the bureau would permit the expenditure of about \$20,000 a year in increased salaries. He then carefully studied the pay roll and has finally made the distribution. Of the 180 people who will receive increases only six have heretofore drawn salaries above \$1,000 a year. All the others were paid from \$390 to less than \$300 a

The increases have not been made by individuals; that is, no select few in each class have been picked out and advanced over others. The advances have been made by entire classes. The benefit thus goes to all alike, and, it is hoped, will be incentives to good work. In the class of printers' as-sistants assigned to duty as operatives, for instance, the salaries of sixty assistants have been increased from \$390 to \$470 a year. Forty-five operatives have had their salaries increased from \$450 to \$548 a year. This has been done all the way to the \$000

by law and are decided each year, according to the appropriations available. In many prior years whatever increases have been made have gone to individuals, usually to those already receiving good salaries, it is said.

Will Speak at the Marquette Club. Col. James E. Boyd, the assistant attorney general, has accepted an invitation to attend the annual banquet of the Marquette Club in Chicago and to respond to a toast. The banquet will be held on Octo-ber 7, and among those who will be present is President McKinley.

Admiral Howison to Sail Today. Rear Admiral Howison of the South Atantic squadron, who cabled the departs ment on Tuesday that he was leaving that day for Rio with the flagship Chicago, cal-

bled the department today that bad weather prevented his departure, but that he would sail today.

National bank notes received today for redemption, \$234,458. Government receipts from internal revenue, \$877,050; customs, \$697,504; miscellaneous, \$94,962; expenditures, \$1,925,000.